1	2	3	4	5
24	Arunachal Pradesh	184	224	308
25	Chandigarh	310	258	416
26	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	108	135	188
27	Delhi	163	189	224
28	Goa, Daman & Diu	156	176	242
29	Lakshadweep	399	527	617
30	Mizoram	171	205	301
31	Pondicherry	151	185	230

New family welfare strategy

1481. SHRI KALPNATH RAI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have finalised the new family welfare strategy;

(b) if so, the details of the same; and

(c) when the new strategy will be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) to (c) The Draft Revised Strategy for the National Family Welfare Programme is in the process of finalisation.

Air Pollution by DTC Buses

1482. SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) what steps have been taken to check serious air pollution by DTC buses in Delhi;

(b) what is the periodicity of the inspection carried out to check the smoke emitted by these buses;

(c) what has been the performance cost effectiveness and viability of the battery operated pollution free buses introduced recently; and

(d) whether there is any plan to ply more such buses in the near future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) With a view to check air pollution by its buses the DTC takes the following steps:

(i) Besides daily visual check of each bus before outshedding and ensuring that no bus which emits excess smoke is outshedded, there is at regular intervals checking of the vehicles with the help of smoke meters.

(ii) Strict enforcement of preventive maintenance schedule.

(b) All the vehicles before out-shedding are checked in the morning.

(c) As per information received from the Delhi Administration, who run the battery buses, no detailed cost benefits analysis has been carried out. The battery buses introduced in May, 1985 have proved successful and are serving the twin purpose of providing pollution free, noise free and clean service to the commuters in the crowded parts of the city in Delhi.

(d) The Delhi Administration proposes to add more battery buses in the near future.